



**AUCTIONEER . . .** Chief of Police John Stroh makes like an auctioneer while disposing of a shed of bicycles collected by the Torrance Police over an extended period of time. The bicycles were sold to the highest bidder last Friday morning at the station.—(Herald Photo).

### City Among 41 California Towns Doubling in Size

Torrance was among the 41 California cities which more than doubled in size since the last census, recent reports show. The city's population jumped from 9950—just 50 persons shy of the 10,000 mark in 1940 to 22,201—or almost two and a quarter times the size it was 10 years ago.

The report shows that there are now 198 incorporated areas of more than 2500 persons in California.

Of the 41 cities which have doubled in size, 24 are in Southern California.

The survey shows four cities quadrupled in size, and four tripled in size.

Other cities which have doubled in size are:

Antioch, Arcadia, Azusa, Burbank, Claremont, Compton, Culver City, Davis, El Cerrito, El Segundo, Fairfield, Gardena, Hayward, Indio, La Mesa, Lynwood, Monterey Park, National City, Newport Beach, Ocean-side, Oxnard, Palm Springs, Redwood City, San Mateo, Seal Beach, South San Francisco, Sunnyvale, Tracy and Woodlake.

### Postmaster Receives Commission

Official appointment as postmaster of Torrance was received this week by Mrs. Clara Conner, who has been serving as acting postmaster until her commission arrived on Monday.

Mrs. Conner's appointment by President Truman was approved by the Senate on June 22, according to word received from Washington by Mrs. Conner.

Her commission makes her the fourth postmaster of Torrance. Preceding her in office was her late husband, C. Earl Conner, formerly postmaster here for 14 years. He died in office in 1949.

Herman Burmaster served as the first postmaster of Torrance. He was succeeded by Al Goudier, then Earl Conner, and finally Mrs. Conner.

### Completion of Paint Plant May Be Delayed

Likelihood that the current carpenters' strike may delay the opening of the Pittsburgh Paint plant here until after the first of the year was expressed by an official of the firm in Los Angeles.

A. D. Wagen, divisional director, said that at present all other trades are working but the construction job may soon bog down if the carpenters' strike continues much longer.

At present the opening of the plant has been tentatively set for mid-November or the early part of December, Wagen said this week.

### GP Announces Benefit Changes

An improvement plan for its employee benefit program has been announced by the General Petroleum Corporation, Los Angeles.

The company's pension and insurance plan, which dates back to 1912, has been improved in 11 ways, according to company officials, and will apply to the company's 6000 employees in the nine Western states.

Principal changes concern disability benefits, vested rights of employees in company contributions, and early retirements rights.

The new provisions have been made available on an immediate basis to unorganized employees, and are being offered to the bargaining agents of the 13 organized employee groups, the company announced.

### Johnson Lands Prized Yellowfin in San Diego

Bill Johnson, 2409 Carson street, was among the prize-winners in the 13th week of the 1950 San Diego Yellowtail Fishing Derby which ended last Thursday.

Johnson's catch was weighed in at 27 pounds, 8 ounces. The Derby is scheduled to end Aug. 20, with the 400 top anglers competing for prizes on Sept. 9 and 10.

### CANCER CASES

An estimated 350,000 cases of cancer will be diagnosed in 1950.

### Playgrounds Hold Joseph Lee Week

Joseph Lee, Father of the American Playgrounds, will be honored tomorrow in local playground programs. Known as "Godfather of Play," Lee devoted his time and energy for 30 years so that children might have places to play.

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<p>HOUSEHOLD CLEANSER 2-Pound Package</p> <p><b>SING</b></p> <p><b>15</b> ¢</p>	<p>SHUREFINE PURE VEGETABLE</p> <p><b>SHORTENING</b></p> <p><b>69</b> ¢</p>	<p>THRIFTY ANN 2-Pound Package</p> <p><b>PRUNES</b></p> <p><b>27</b> ¢</p>	<p>FOODCRAFT FARM STYLE</p> <p><b>PICKLES</b></p> <p><b>21</b> ¢</p>
<p>STARKIST CHUNK STYLE</p> <p><b>TUNA</b></p> <p><b>27</b> ¢</p>	<p>PLUCKY-TALL CANS</p> <p><b>DOG FOOD</b></p> <p><b>6</b> ¢</p>	<p>LARGE SIZE</p> <p><b>24</b> ¢</p>	<p>GIANT SIZE</p> <p><b>47</b> ¢</p>
<p>SUNSHINE HI-HO CRACKERS 1-lb. Package</p> <p><b>25</b> ¢</p>	<p>NEW NO RINSE SURF</p>	<p>GERBER'S STRAINED</p> <p><b>BABY FOOD</b></p> <p><b>3 for 23</b> ¢</p>	

<p><b>CANTELOUPES</b></p> <p><b>2</b> FOR <b>17</b> ¢</p>	<p>CRISP CARROTS TENDER</p> <p><b>2</b> bunches for <b>7</b> ¢</p>	<p><b>CUCUMBERS</b></p> <p>LONG GREEN <b>3</b> FOR <b>5</b> ¢</p>
<p>CRISP UTAH TYPE</p> <p><b>CELERY</b></p> <p><b>7</b> ¢ ea.</p>	<p>LARGE EAR NO. 1 NORTHERN</p> <p><b>CORN</b></p> <p><b>37</b> ¢ doz.</p>	<p>EXTRA FANCY STUFFING BELL</p> <p><b>PEPPERS</b></p> <p><b>7</b> ¢ lb.</p>

<p>LIBERTY BELL BRAND Fine Eastern Quality</p> <p><b>Sliced BACON</b></p> <p><b>45</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>HICKORY SMOKED</p> <p><b>BACON SQUARES</b></p> <p><b>27</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>TENDERIZED SMALL-LEAN</p> <p><b>Smoked Picnics</b></p> <p><b>45</b> ¢ lb.</p>
<p>TENDERIZED SMOKED BUTT</p> <p><b>BONELESS COTTAGE HAM S</b></p> <p><b>69</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>WELL TRIMMED-TENDER</p> <p><b>RIB SIRLOIN Steaks</b></p> <p><b>79</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>FRESH MADE BULK</p> <p><b>PORK SAUSAGE</b></p> <p><b>47</b> ¢ lb.</p>
<p>SLICED</p> <p><b>BEEF LIVER</b></p> <p><b>59</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>FROZEN-CELLO PKG. FILLET OF</p> <p><b>Halibut Salmon</b></p> <p><b>59</b> ¢ lb.</p>	<p>SLICED OR PIECE</p> <p><b>Spiced HAM</b></p> <p><b>57</b> ¢ lb.</p>

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